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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE DISTRICT OF OREGON

PORTLAND DIVISION

WARD M. SMITHSON,

Civil Case No. 07-641-JE

Petitioner,

ORDER

v.

JEAN HILL,

Respondent.

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KING, Judge:

The Honorable John Jelderks, United States Magistrate Judge, filed Findings and Recommendation on December 8, 2009 (#57). Petitioner filed timely objections to the Findings and Recommendation.

When either party objects to any portion of a magistrate's Findings and Recommendation concerning a dispositive motion or prisoner petition, the district court must make a <u>de novo</u> determination of that portion of the magistrate's report. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b); <u>McDonnell Douglas Corp. v. Commodore Business Machines, Inc.</u>, 656 F.2d 1309, 1313 (9th Cir. 1981), <u>cert. denied</u>, 455 U.S. 920 (1982). This court has, therefore, given <u>de novo</u> review of the rulings of Magistrate Judge Jelderks.

This court ADOPTS the Findings and Recommendation of Magistrate Judge Jelderks (#57) dated December 8, 2009 in its entirety.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Amended Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus (#13) is DENIED. The Court declines to issue a Certificate of Appealability.

DATED this ____ day of December, 2009. / O

GARR M. KING

United States District Judge